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In re Application for:

**Kodama et al.**

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IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,  
ELECTRONIC CAMERA AND  
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MEDIUM

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In response to the Advisory Action mailed May 2, 2008, in connection with the above referenced patent application, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.